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1. On or about 1 July 1954 a considerable change will take place in the Headquarters handling of various Albanian projects. For ease of routing and processing in Headquarters we request that corresponding changes be made in Field reporting. A principal change to which we ask that the Field adjust its procedures is the anticipated approval at long last of five projects to succeed and replace the overall OSOPUS project. These projects break down the activities conducted in the past under the general heading OSOPUS into separate categories as follows:

- a. OHLIVKUS. This project provides for HUNGARIAN and allied political activities.
- b. OHEKST. This project provides for HUNGARIAN.
- c. OHEKSE. This project provides for leaflet and hard goods drops, mail campaigns and similar types of propaganda activities.
- d. OHEKWT. This project provides for border crossing and allied activities.
- e. OSOPUS. This project will in its new form be far more restrictive in authority and intent than hitherto. It has now become an administrative support project.

2. We ask that commencing 1 July the Field adjust its reporting and particularly the routing indicators on cables and despatches to conform with this breakdown. We request that OSOPUS no longer be used as a synonym for

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the country but that the name of the country or of the relevant project be substituted where GORUS has been used in the past. At the present time only one person normally active in Albanian affairs is covered under GORUS, namely [redacted] and use of this indicator should be restricted to correspondence involving this individual or any others who eventually are included under the project. The other activities now reported as sub-projects or activities of GORUS should each be reported under one of the new projects. Thus, GORUS is the authority for the following activities and should be carried as the routing indicator on correspondence for disseminating these activities: THERIAK, PIG, WILLIS, GAGE, V/T standards, and Friday. GORUS is the authority for contacts and activities with ALIBY and Gusha Qendrore. GORUS and GORUS obviously provide authority for the various EROGHI activities.

3. Certain other activities of the country branch in Athens do not fit neatly into any of the above projects or into project GORUS which is currently the only active EUPHE project. In such cases the routing indicator should show the country and then the type of activity concerned. For example the Kue-Shungha GE case should be labeled ALBANIA/THREL. There are also cases where a continuing activity exists and is productive but is not authorized under a project. In such cases a field project outline should be submitted. Be sure particularly including of the use of ALICE who supplemented GORUS as our liaison informant. If either the Kue-Shungha GE case or the ALICE case shows signs of developing productively, field project outlines should be submitted in order to secure the funds to carry out these activities since such funds are no longer available in the overall Albanian project.

4. There remain three Mason activities which are being reported regularly, namely the Links with VALHALL, GARDIAN and GALILEI. These should be reported under the heading of ALBANIA/VALHALL, with a separate report being submitted as hitherto in each of the three activities.

5. In the case of some of the activities carried out under GORUS it will appear after a time that the project is purely EUPHE in objective. In this case the field should submit a field project outline and a separate project will be set up to provide authority and funds to continue the activity. This procedure has already been initiated in Headquarters with regard to the Friday relation. At this writing, however, it is not clear whether Friday relation will continue as planned and we are, therefore, holding the new project in abeyance until further information is received from the field.

6. We currently hope that the foregoing will not increase the burden of work work already carried by field personnel. The Albanian Branch [redacted] has shown steady improvement in the reporting of the activities in the past six months and the foregoing suggestions are in no way a criticism of this performance. If carried out, however, these suggestions will greatly simplify certain necessary processing in Headquarters and can result in more efficient Headquarters' support and handling for field activities.

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